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PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a))

- This is a petition for an extension of the time for a total period of three months to Non-Final 1. Examiner's Action mailed April 23, 2003.
- A response in connection with the matter for which this extension is requested is filed herewith. 2.
- Applicant is a small entity. A verified statement was already filed. 3.

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4. Calculation of extension fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1)-(5)):

Extension:

Fee for small entity:

THREE (3) months

\$475.00

Fee \$475.00

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

Extension fee due with this request \$475.00

5. Extended period for response

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